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SUBJECT: LETTER OF KING KHALID TO PRESIDENT CARTER

1. THERE FOLLOWS THE TRANSLATION OF A LETTER DATED FEB 18, 1977
FROM KING KHALID TO PRESIDENT CARTER. A DRAFT TRANSLATION OF THIS
LETTER WAS GIVEN TO SECRETARY VANCE AT THE START OF HIS VISIT
TO RIYADH FEBRUARY 19.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER, PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

GREETINGS:

I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR LETTER WHICH CAME TO ME BY WAY OF
THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN LONDON ON
FEBRUARY 14, 1977 AND I AM SENDING YOU THIS LETTER WHILE I
AM RECOVERING (IF GOD WILLS) AFTER THE SUCCESS OF THE OPER-
ATION I UNDERWENT IN LONDON.

IT PLEASES ME TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY THANKS AND ESTEEM
FOR THE GOOD WISHES AND PURE SENTIMENTS YOU RELAYED TO ME
CONCERNING THE VISIT WHICH CYRUS VANCE, THE SECRETARY OF
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STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, WILL UNDERTAKE. I
WISH HIM BLESSINGS AND COMPLETE SUCCESS IN ACHIEVING THE
MISSION WITH WHICH YOU HAVE ENTRUSTED HIM.

WHILE, ON THIS OCCASION, OBSERVING THE SUCCESSION OF
EVENTS FROM NEARBY, THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA BELIEVES
THAT THE UNITED STATES CAN PLAY A POSITIVE AND EFFECTIVE

ROLE IN CREATING A SUITABLE CLIMATE TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR
PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND CONSEQUENTLY TO CREATE APPROP-
RIATE MEANS TO ELIMINATE THE CRISIS IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A
JUST AND LASTING PEACE WHICH SATISFIES THE CONCERNED PARTIES
IN THE REGION. IT IS INCUMBENT UPON THE UNITED STATES TO
CRYSTALLIZE AN IDEA FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION INTO TANGIBLE
REALITY BY TAKING A FIRM STANCE TOWARD ISRAELI AMBITIONS.
BY DOING SO THE UNITED STATES WILL TERMINATE THE DISPUTE
FINALLY AND CREATE THE SECURITY AND STABILITY IN WHOSE
SHADOW THE PEOPLE OF THE REGION WILL LIVE.

YOUR EXCELLENCY, I RECEIVE WITH APPRECIATION WHAT YOU
EXPRESSED CONCERNING THE DEEP-ROOTED REALTIONS THAT BIND
THE UNITED STATES TO THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA. THE KING-
DOM IS EAGER TO STRENGTHEN AND INCREASE THOSE RELATIONS IN
THE FUTURE. IN ORDER TO REALIZE THIS GOAL, HIS ROYAL
HIGHNESS CROWN PRINCE FAHD BIN ABD AL AZIZ WILL UNDERTAKE
A VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES AT THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY.

ALLOW ME TO EXPRESS MY BEST WISHES TO YOUR EXCELLENCY
AND TO THE POEPL OF THE UNITED STATES.

KHALID BIN ABD AL AZIZ

END TEXT.

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